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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND THE ASIA  
PACIFIC CENTER FOR SECURITY STUDIES ON COMPREHENSIVE SECURITY  
RESPONSE TO TERRORISM COURSE (CSRT) 09-1 APRIL 16 TO MAY 12, 2009 IN  
HONOLULU, HAWAII

REF: 03 SECSTATE 034981

[1](#)1. This is an action cable. See Paragraph six.

[1](#)2. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S. sponsored  
training programs.

[1](#)3. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S. sponsored  
security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has  
conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals  
selected for the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies CSRT 09-1  
from April 16 to May 12, 2009 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

NAME: Samedy Sivahtana (Male)  
DPOB: Nov. 22, 1961, Phnom Penh  
POSITION: Assistant to the Prime Minister  
Under Secretary of State for Secretariat National of  
Counter-Terrorism Committee  
DEPT/UNIT: Office of the Council of Ministers

NAME: Sok Nguon (Male)  
DPOB: Jun. 2, 1966, Kandal  
POSITION: Deputy Director  
RANK: Colonel  
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Policy and Planning, Ministry of National  
Defense

NAME: Kea Kosal (Male)  
DPOB: Feb. 7, 1969, Phnom Penh  
POSITION: Chief of Co-Operations Section  
RANK: Major  
DEPT/UNIT: Department of International Relations, Ministry of  
Defense

[1](#)4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as  
of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross  
violations of human rights by the above individuals.

[1](#)5. The above individuals will attend the Asia-Pacific Center for  
Security Studies (CSRT) 09-1 April 16 to May 12, 2009 in Honolulu,  
Hawaii.

[1](#)6. Action request: Please verify whether the Department possesses  
any credible information that the individuals named above have been  
implicated in gross violations of human rights.

[1](#)7. Points of contacts for Amembassy Phnom Penh are Major Wayne  
Turnbull at turnbullpw@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-219, or Janet  
Deutsch at deutschje@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118.

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